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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing on behalf of the Friends of Pier Park (FoPP), an organization dedicated to conserving one of Portland's largest parks.

Along with our community and business sponsors, we are writing to express our most grave concern for the health of the Willamette River and the overall efficacy of the EPA's proposed plan to clean up the Portland Harbor Superfund Site.

The proposed plan is very weak, dangerous for our community, and far from a sustainable solution needed to fix our currently damaged river ecosystem.

The risk factors and evaluations performed are not in alignment with the community's acceptable level of risk, or acceptable level of restoration.

The health of our river, which directly correlates to the health of our city, must be placed at a higher level of importance, priority and attention. The following points of concern require your direct action to correct the proposed plan:

- 1.The draft cleanup plan leaves too much of the river contaminated for generations to come. It is recommended that at least 1,000 acres of polluted sediment be removed from the river.
- 2.The draft cleanup plan relies too much on "monitored natural recovery," an unfit and unproven strategy that leaves unacceptable levels of pollution in the river.
- 3.The plan must result in the removal of the Fish Consumption Advisory so that eating fish from the Lower Willamette is just as safe as eating fish from anywhere else in the Willamette River System.
- 4.Creating a toxic waste disposal dump in our river, or any river is not acceptable or safe —toxic dredged sediments must be taken to an appropriate landfill.
- 5.Entities with liability for the pollution must be held accountable and pay for a comprehensive cleanup that will protect the health of our communities, our environment and our wildlife.

If you would like to discuss in person I can be made available; my contact information is listed below and would be happy to talk in more detail of our community's shared concern.

Thank you,

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